No Cruise Control!



A few operators have learned the hard way that the grader's governor control handle is not a cruise control.

Unlike the cruise control on your POV, the grader's governor control doesn't cut off when you hit the brakes. If you need to stop in a hurry, you won't have time to mess with it. The end result will likely be loss of control.

Use the governor control handle only for non-driving operations, like moving the blade.

SEE...

TOO MUCH OF TOO LITTLE?

The grease fitting that lubes the excavator's front and rear drive shaft thrust ball joints can't win for losing.

At lube time, it seems that the fitting is either overlooked completely or gets too much grease.

It gets overlooked because it's directly under the middle of the vehicle. You have to crawl under the excavator to find it. Left unlubed, friction will KO the ball joints.

When it's time to lube, read and heed the CAUTION in Note 18 of LO 5-2420-224-12. Give the fitting four to five pumps of lube from a hand-held grease gun.

Pumping in too much lube will split open the ball joint's rubber torsion boot. A split boot lets lube leak out and water get in. No lube leads to friction that ruins ball joints. Water rusts them.

